

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2369
ANSWERED ON:06.03.2003
TRADE UNIONS UNDER RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of trade unions functioning under the Indian Railways alongwith details thereof;
- (b) whether the Railways has recognised all these trade unions;
- (c) if not, the number of trade unions recognised till date; and
- (d) the number of unrecognised trade unions and the time by which the Government are likely to recognise them?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (d): There is a large number of trade unions functioning on the Indian Railways. Out of these only twenty two have been recognised as per list attached. As regards the vast number of unrecognised unions, the Railways do not have any interactions with them by way of any correspondence or direct negotiations. Therefore, no details of unrecognised trade unions are maintained on the Indian Railways. Their recognition is also dependent on fulfilment of the basic conditions laid down for this purpose. As such, there is no time frame for their recognition.

List referred to in parts (a) to (d) of the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2369 for answer on 06.03.2003

Central Railway	(1) National Railway Mazdoor Union	(2) Central Railway Mazdoor Sangh
Eastern Railway	(1) Eastern Railwaymen's Union	(2) Eastern Railwaymen's Congress
Northern Railway (#)	(1) Northern Railwaymen's Union	(2) Uttariya Railway Mazdoor Union
North Eastern Railway	(1) North Eastern Railway Mazdoor Union	(2) North Eastern Railway Employees Union
Northeast Frontier Railway	(1) Northeast Frontier Railway Mazdoor Union	(2) Northeast Frontier Railway Employees Union
Southern Railway	(1) Southern Railway Mazdoor Union	(2) Southern Railway Employees Sangh
South Central Railway	(1) South Central Railway Mazdoor Union	(2) South Central Railway Employees' Sangh
South Eastern Railway	(1) South Eastern Railwaymen's Union	(2) South Eastern Railwaymen's Congress
Western Railway	(1) Western Railway Employees' Union	(2) Western Railway Mazdoor Sangh
North Western Railway	(1) Uttar Paschim Railway Mazdoor Sangh	(2) North Western Railway Employees Union
East Central Railway	(1) East Central Railway Karamchari Union	(2) East Central Railway Men's Congress

(#) Note: One more Railway union viz., Uttar Railway Karamchari Union was granted recognition by Northern Railway on 12.10.2002. However, the union has not started functioning on the Railway in view of the stay granted by the Hon'ble High Court of Chennai. The matter continues to be subjudice.